

laws, rules and regulations that may be necessary to remedy such discrimination, if it exists, and then report its findings or their findings back to the Legislature December 1st of this year. So it is primarily intent language that the Legislature is going to incorporate into this bill. If you have any questions, then I will answer them, but in the meantime, I am asking that you adopt this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Abboud, please.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, colleagues, would Senator Chambers yield to a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, protege, what would you like to ask?

SENATOR ABOUD: Well, I have an excellent amendment that is going to be following this, Senator Chambers, but I want to make it...I want to understand fully, if an individual is tested for AIDS under your amendment and an individual discriminates against that individual as a result of that test, now would the discrimination have to take place even if the person had tested negative, would your bill apply in that instance, as well, either a positive or a negative test?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, Senator Abboud, this amendment does not deal with the discrimination, as such. It doesn't even prohibit it. It doesn't provide a punishment, should it occur. It is designed to express the Legislature's intent that such discrimination not occur, but since we are in a relatively formulative state where all of this is concerned, we are not going to accuse any agencies or anybody else of discriminating, but saying we would like them to look at their policies and practices and see whether under such policies and practices, if a person should take such a test, there might be a type of discrimination that would result. So all I can say in response to your question is that it does not deal directly with any discrimination that might occur. We are just saying we would that it not occur. Now if you ask my opinion, I can give you my own opinion in response to your question.

SENATOR ABOUD: Go ahead.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You want my opinion? Okay, my opinion does